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Advisory Action

Application No. 08/950,760

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THE REPLY FILED <u>Sep 6, 2001</u> FAILS TO PLACE THIS APPLICATION IN CONDITION FOR ALLOWANCE. Therefore, further action by the applicant is required to avoid the abandonment of this application. A proper reply to a final				
rejection under 37 CFR 1.113 may only be either: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for				
allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in				
compliance with 37 CFR 1.114.				
	THE PERIOD FOR REPL			
a)	The period for reply expires 3 months from the mailing	date of the final rejection.		
b)	In view of the early submission of the proposed reply (within two months as set forth in MPEP § 706.07 (f)), the period for reply expires on the mailing date of this Advisory Action, OR continues to run from the mailing date of the final rejection, whichever is later. In no event, however, will the statutory period for the reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of the final rejection.			
exte app set	extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a). The date on with tension fee have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the per ppropriate extension fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a) is calculated from: (1) the effinite tin the final Office action; or (2) as set forth in (b) above, if checked. Any nailing date of the final rejection, even if timely filed, may reduce any	iod of extension and the corresp xpiration date of the shortened s reply received by the Office late	onding amount of the fee. The tatutory period for reply originally r than three months after the	
1. 🗆	A Notice of Appeal was filed on 37 CFR 1.192(a), or any extension thereof (37 CFR 1.191)	Appellant's Brief must be t (d)), to avoid dismissal of t	iled within the period set forth in he appeal.	
2. 🗆	2. The proposed amendment(s) will be entered upon the timely submission of a Notice of Appeal and Appeal Brief with requisite fees.			
3. X The proposed amendment(s) will not be entered because:				
(a) ☑ they raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search. (See NOTE below);				
(b) ☑ they raise the issue of new matter. (See NOTE below);				
(c)	they are not deemed to place the application in better for issues for appeal; and/or	orm for appeal by material	ly reducing or simplifying the	
(d) they present additional claims without cancelling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims.				
	NOTE: The amended claims 54, 58, 61, 65 and 67-69 has			
	machine, which was not claimed before and does		•	
4. 🗆	Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection(s):			
5. 🗆	Newly proposed or amended claim(s)separate, timely filed amendment cancelling the non-allow	rable claim(s).	would be allowable if submitted in	
6. 🗆	The a) affidavit, b) exhibit, or c) request for reconsideration has been considered but does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because:			
7. 🗆	The affidavit or exhibit will NOT be considered because it is the Examiner in the final rejection.	s not directed SOLELY to	issues which were newly raised by	
8. 🛚	For purposes of Appeal, the status of the claim(s) is as foll	ows (see attached written	explanation, if any):	
	Claim(s) allowed:			
	Claim(s) objected to: Claim(s) rejected: <u>54-69</u>			
9. 🗆	The proposed drawing correction filed on	aົ has bົ ha	s not been approved by the Examiner.	
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